



# NASHOBA Regional School Committee

## Meeting Agenda

May 5, 2021

6:00 PM

### Remote Meeting via Zoom Technology

The Nashoba Regional School Committee adheres to Open Meeting Law (OML) Regulations which have been altered during Governor Baker's declared state of emergency. Here is a link to that order: <https://www.mass.gov/doc/order-suspending-certain-provision-of-open-meeting-law/download>.

In response to concerns about the potential for privacy and safety violations embedded in Zoom, the Massachusetts Association of School Committees (MASC) has shared preliminary guidance for conducting meetings and online learning. Recommendations include sending the link only to those participating in the meeting (committee members, superintendent, presenters) and requiring a password. Other recommendations include having the local cable channel livestream or otherwise broadcast the meeting to make it accessible to the public, and either taking public comments off the agenda or asking that comments be emailed to the Chair who can read them at the meeting.

While public comment is not a requirement of the Open Meeting Law, our school committee wants to continue to include it as part of our agenda. Our protocol for Citizens' Comments was recently updated. It is as follows:

*Any individual interested in speaking to an issue which is on the agenda or within the School Committee's authority during the Public Comment portion of a School Committee meeting held over Zoom shall sign up to speak by emailing [nrsc@nrsc.net](mailto:nrsc@nrsc.net) at least 1 hour before the meeting, with a subject line "PUBLIC COMMENT FOR (DATE) MEETING". The chairperson will respond to the participant with the zoom link prior to the start of the meeting, and copy the Zoom host via email. The Zoom host will then allow the individual to join the meeting during the Public Comment segment of the meeting, which is usually the first 15 minutes. The individual shall display their full name and town of residence on screen when they join the Zoom meeting. Individuals will be called upon to speak in the order in which their requests were received. Each individual's comment shall be in accordance with [Policy BEDH](#) After the comment is read, the individual will be asked to leave the Zoom meeting. If the individual does not leave, the Zoom host will remove the participant.*

To view the meeting in real time, click this link: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F\\_afKwKi3a8](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F_afKwKi3a8)

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| I. Call to order of Regular Meeting and Pledge of Allegiance   | 6:00 PM   |
| II. Citizens' Comments   | 6:05 PM   |
| III. Consent Agenda (AR)   | 6:15 PM   |
| a. Draft Meeting Minutes of April 7, 2021  |           |
| b. Draft Meeting Minutes of April 16, 2021   |           |
| c. Warrants of May 7, 2021   |           |
| IV. School Committee Chair Updates (IO)  | 6:20 PM   |
| a. Town Elections  |           |
| b. School Committee Organizational Meeting   |           |
| c. Superintendent Search   |           |
| d. Teacher Appreciation  |           |
| V. Superintendent's Report (IO)  | 6:30 PM   |
| VI. New Business   | 6:40 PM   |
| a. Pooled Testing Survey Results (IO)  | (10 mins) |
| b. School Committee Manual (AR)  | (10 mins) |
| c. Interim Superintendent (IO)   | (10 mins) |
| d. Reaffirmation of the certification of the E & D for FY21 Budget voted 3.11.2020 and for FY22 Budget voted 3.10.2021 | (10 mins) |
| VII. Unfinished Business   | 7:20 PM   |
| FY22 Budget Update (IO)  |           |

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| VIII. Sub Committee Reports (IO)                    | 7:30 PM                    |
| a. Budget and Warrant Report                        | No Report                  |
| b. Personnel Report                                 | Dr. McCarthy will report   |
| c. Policy Report                                    | Ms. Vivirito will report   |
| d. Communication                                    | No Report                  |
| e. NRHS School Building Committee                   | Mr. Gleason will report    |
| f. Diversity, Equity, Acceptance and Racial Justice | Ms. Sanfilippo will report |
| g. Audit Advisory                                   | Mr. Eckel will report      |

- IX. Items to be considered for next and/or future agendas 7:40 PM

- X. Executive Sessions 7:45 PM

**Session A**

Executive Session pursuant to M.G.L. c. 30A, § 21(a)(7) to comply with, or act under the authority of, any general or special law or federal grant-in-aid requirements Review of Executive Session Minutes of February 10, 2021 session A and B, March 24, 2021 session A and B, April 7, 2021 and April 16, 2021 in accordance with Open Meeting Law M.G.L. c. 30A, §§ 22(f), (g)."

**Session B**

Executive Session pursuant to Mass. General Laws Chapter 30A, Section 21(a)(3) to discuss strategy with respect to litigation if an open meeting may have a detrimental effect on the litigating position of the public body and the chair so declares regarding the matter of Maria del Rosario vs. NRSD Regional School District et al. (Docket No. 1885CV01899).

School Committee will reconvene to open session.

- XI. Discussion regarding Maria del Rosario vs. NRSD Regional School District et al. (Docket No. 1885CV01899).

- XII. Adjourn

Times on the agenda are approximate.

"The items listed are those reasonably anticipated by the Chair, which may be discussed at the meeting. Not all items listed may in fact be discussed and other items not listed may also be brought up for discussion to the extent permitted by law."

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Posted on 4/30/21 at 4:30 pm

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